

BY TELEGRAPH.

FOR THE JOURNAL.

RICHMOND, VA., Aug. 4th, 1862.

The following letter from the President to General Lee, is published this morning:

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Sir:—On the 23d of this month a cartel for a general exchange of prisoners of war was signed by Major General B. H. Hill, in behalf of the Confederate States, and Major General John A. Dix, in behalf of the United States.

By the terms of that cartel it is stipulated that all prisoners of war heretofore taken shall be discharged on parole until exchanged. Sincerely that cartel being signed, the military authorities of the United States commenced a practice charging the character of the war from such as becomes civilized nations into a campaign of indiscriminate robbery and murder.

The General Order issued by the Secretary of War of the United States, in the city of Washington, on the very day that the cartel was signed in Virginia, declares that the military authorities of the United States will take the private property of our people for the convenience and use of their armies, without compensation.

The General Order issued by Major General Pope, on the 27th July, the day after the signing of the cartel, directs the military authorities of the United States to take the private property of our people for the convenience and use of their armies, without compensation.

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Gen. Villipue has advanced and occupied Longrange, Tennessee, but subsequently retired back to Abbeville.

The Federals were advancing on Holly Springs, and were expected to occupy that place to-day.

Gen. Ruggles advanced a stringent remonstrance to Butler relative to two partisan rangers who, it was said, Butler threatened to hang. Ruggles threatened retaliation, when Butler replied that one had been paroled and the other would be.

NORTHERN NEWS.—GUERRILLAS IN KENTUCKY.—FOREIGNERS CLAIMING BRITISH PROTECTION IN ST. LOUIS.—SUCCESSFUL SKIRMISH IN NORTH ALABAMA.

MOBILE, ALA., Aug. 2d, 1862.

A special dispatch to the Advertiser and Register, dated Tupelo, Miss., August 1st, says:

The Cincinnati Commercial, of July 26th, has been received here.

Washington dispatches of July 25th say that official information from Rappahannock county confirms the report of Jackson being at Louisa Court House, near Gordonsville, with 24,000 men, and that at Gordonsville with 30,000 men it is his evident intention to break the Federal lines, and threaten Washington, and thus draw off the Federal forces from Richmond. Stonewall's full force is estimated at 60,000 men, and advancing.

Paris is occupying Madison county.

Rebels are to be instituted by the Yankees.

The renegades on the Rappahannock are alarmed, and step in boats to prevent surprise.

Lincoln has commissioned Jim Lane, of Kansas, to raise a brigade of negroes.

Pope issues an order refusing to protect private property; and to soldier hereafter he will be allowed to guard it.

The Governor of Pennsylvania accepts nice month's unteers.

It is understood that the Confederates will hang Major General McCall unless Butler is given up.

Louisville dates of July 25th say that some Yankee Colonels and Lieutenants were killed by the guerrillas in Webster county, Ky.

A Yankee expedition was sent to defeat the guerrillas, who were threatening Paris county, instead of Bourbon county.

Rebel guerrillas were organizing in all the Kentucky border counties.

St. Louis dates of July 24th, say that hundreds of foreigners, mostly Irish, had claimed the British Consul's protection from a draft. Great excitement was occasioned in consequence, and the Yankees mobbed them; and the Provost Marshal was called upon to suppress the riot.

Col. Clarkson and 70 privates, Confederate prisoners, were captured in Missouri.

Gen. Armstrong's official report, under his successful capture, 129 of his command, under Lieut. Col. Kelley, at Abbeville, on the 25th inst., and routed them. Our forces also took 16 prisoners. Our loss was 1 killed.

The enemy on the North side of the Tennessee river are reported to be retreating towards Nashville.

MORGAN'S OFFICIAL REPORT.

MOBILE, AUG. 2d, 1862.

A special dispatch to the Advertiser and Register, dated Knoxville, Tenn., July 31st, says that Morgan's official report of his expedition into Kentucky states that he captured twenty-two, twelve hundred prisoners, and destroyed property valued at three millions of dollars. Among the spoils he took from the enemy were twenty thousand stand of arms, and large numbers of mules and horses.

Gen. George S. Leary, General of the British army, greatly distinguished himself in the expedition, by changing in front on several occasions. He was slightly wounded.

LATER FROM NASSAU.—THE STEAMERS KATE AND HERALD.—A YANKEE STEAMER FIRES INTO THE HERALD.

CHARLESTON, AUG. 2d, 1862.

News from Nassau to July 30th has been received here.

The steamships Kate and Herald had arrived at Nassau from the Confederate coast.

The Herald was attacked on Nassau by a Yankee war steamer, which fired a whole broadside into her, but the aim of the Yankees being too high, the Herald escaped into port with only one shot through her hull.

AN ADVANCE EXPECTED ON TUPELO.—CURTIS ADVANCING ON GEN. HINDMAN.

MOBILE, AUG. 3d, 1862.

A special dispatch to the Advertiser and Register, dated Tupelo, Miss., Aug. 2d, says that the enemy in front are repulsed on the 24th, and extending their pickets.

It is believed that they intend a demonstration.

Official information has been received that Curtis has been reinforced, and is advancing on Hindman, who has a large force.

LATEST NORTHERN NEWS.

PETERSBURG, VA., Aug. 3d, 1862.

The Express has New York and Philadelphia dates to the 28th and 29th July.

The Union's Fortresses Monroe correspondent has been informed that large rebel forces are now concentrating on the line of James river, above the junction of Appomattox and James rivers, supposed to number between fifty and seventy thousand, and that Stonewall Jackson is in command.

On the night of the 24th July, a company of rebel Cavalry dashed down Gloucester Point, opposite Yorktown, carried off a large lot of contrabands, forced into the rebel army all of the male inhabitants, then set fire to a lot of ship masts, and taking with them their trophies departed.

Similar depredations to the above were committed in the vicinity of Williamsburg.

On the night of the 25th the rebels made incursions into the lines of McClellan, and carried off a large number of my bees.

Two thousand contrabands, on their way to McClellan, passed Old Point on the 26th.

Jeff Davis' mail carrier, running to Norfolk, was caught on Friday, with two thousand letters.

Thirteen or twenty rebels, captured near Suffolk, have reached Fort Monroe.

Gen. Pope has received a large number of deserters from Pope's army—among them between forty and fifty of the 16th New York—within the past week.

On the 25th, four guerrillas fired upon and wounded two Federal men near Warrenton. Capt. Williams, of the Michigan Cavalry, went out and brought in eight retreating Virginians, who are to be held responsible.

Within three days past, General Hatch has crossed Swift Run Gap to McDaytown. The people of Culpeper, Orange and Madison, were thunderstruck at the recent sudden appearance of the Union forces under Hatch.

Cairo, July 26th.—A steamer from the Tennessee river brings news of the rebel raid at Florence, Alabama, on Tuesday. They entered the city, burned warehouses filled with Yankee commissary and quartermaster stores and all sorts of goods, and then retired, leaving the Yankees empty-handed, and carrying away a large number of the city's property.

Another band of forty rebels attacked a wagon near Pittsburg Landing, and captured six wagons filled with government stores.

NEW ARLING, July 27th.—The Leiger says that the rebels have congregated in considerable force at Hawesville, Kentucky, and boldly and defiantly insulted the Union citizens.

Passengers from Henderson say that the guerrillas have appeared in strong force opposite Mount City. It is feared that they would attempt to burn the Union gun-boats building there.

Nashville, Tenn., July 27th.—The 10th Ohio regiment, guarding the Memphis and Charleston Railroad between Decatur and Courtland, were attacked yesterday by a large force of guerrillas. Thirty or forty of the regiment were killed, and the road considerably damaged.

A large rebel force is reported near Tusculum.

Forrest is reported at Carthage, with the object of making a descent on the Louisville Railroad.

NEW YORK, July 28th.—News from Fort Monroe to-day, says that that ubiquitous rebel, Stonewall Jackson, has been driven down the left bank of James river, made some attempt to cross, but has been driven back. A later telegram, announcing the arrival of Porter's mortar fleet, intended for Fort Darling, made all right again.

Cotton is dull, with trifling sales at 43 1/4 cents for middling uplands. Exchange 129 1/2. Gold is lower, opening at 117 1/2, and closing at 116 1/2. Government stocks are lower.

The Federal losses in the Western Department, by official count, since the war commenced, are given in the New York Tribune at 65,500.

YANKEE GUN-BOAT AGROUND.—LATER FROM BUENOS AIRES.—THE SOUTHERN CONFEDERACY IN THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

RICHMOND, VA., Aug. 4th, 1862.

A Yankee gun-boat got aground in the mouth of the Appomattox river, near City Point, on Sunday. The Confederate batteries were firing at her in the afternoon, with much result has not yet been ascertained.

Northern dates to the 31st ult. have been received. The most important news is from Europe, brought by the Australasian, which steamed last Liverpool on the 19th July.

An important discussion took place in Parliament on Mr. Lindsay's motion for mediation and recognize the Southern Confederacy. After a lengthy debate Mr. Lindsay's motion was withdrawn.

Lord Palmerston made a remarkable speech on the occasion, appealing to the House to leave the matter in the hands of the government.

The Paris correspondent of the London Herald again asserts that Napoleon is about to offer the mediation of France to America, and says that the drift of public opinion is in favor of such a course.

Government stock market was strong on the 29th.—Government stock was up to 115 1/2. Exchange 136. Money very abundant at 4 1/2 per cent.

IMPORTANT FROM THE NORTH, IF TRUE.—SEWARD RESIGNED.—THE GOVERNORS OF PENNSYLVANIA, OHIO AND CONNECTICUT REFUSE TO SEND MORE TROOPS.—VALLANDIGHAM STUMPING OHIO, &c.

LYNCHBURG, VA., AUG. 4th, 18